(c) Requirement of pulses in the country has been assessed at 15-16 million tonnes by the end of 7th Plan.

Benefits accrued to poors under IRDP

434. SHRI RAMNARAYAN GOSWAMI: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state the real benefits accrued to the poor rural people under the Integrated Rural Development Programme Scheme during the last three years; year-wise and State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI JANARDHAN POOJARI): Statements I, II and III indicating year-wise and Statewise families assisted under IRDP, out of which SC/ST, women, total funds utilised and total term credit mobilised during 1985-86, 1986-87 and 1987-88 are annexed. [*See* Appendix CXLVI. Annexure No. 13].

Construction of Cold Storage

435. SHRI RAMNARAYAN GOSWAMI: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the State-wise number of cold storages in the country alongwith their capacity;

(b) whether there is any proposal to construct more cold storages in the country;

(c) if so, the details thereof Statewise;

(d) whether any assistance had been given to the State Governments for the construction of cold storages; and

(e) if so, the details thereof, Statewise and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SHYAM LAL YADAV): (a) Statement—I showing the State-wise number of cold storages in the country alongwith their capacity is enclosed. (*See* below).

(b) and (c) Cold storages are set up by various agencies including private parties as well as by cooperatives. In the cooperative sector, the National Cooperative Development Corporation (NCDC) provides financial assistance for setting up of cold storages. The corporation sanctions cold storages as and when viable proposals are received from the States. At present, NCDC is having a proposal for sanctioning two cold storages in West Bengal.

(d) and (e) Upto 31-3-1988, National Cooperative Development Corporation has provided assistance totalling Rs. 58.597 crores for the Cooperative Cold Storage Programme in various States. Statement—II showing the State-wise position of assistance released by NCDC is enclosed.

Statement-I

All India Capacity and Number of Cold Storages Statewise as on 31-12-1986

S.No.	Name of State/U.T.	No. of cold storages	Capacity (in tonnes)
1	Andhra Pradesh	53	11730
2	Assam	3	2317
3	Bihar	205	345251
4	Gujarat	106	120396
5	Himachal Pradesh	13	9668